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SUBJ: ARRANGEMENTS FOR AMBASSADOR U. ALEXIS JOHNSON

REF: A. STATE 137243

B. STATE 137694

SUMMARY. THIS MESSAGE PROVIDES ROUGH OUTLINE OF EVENTS SCHEDULED
IN CONNECTION WITH SATO NATIONAL FUNERAL JUNE 16. END SUMMARY.

1. FOREIGN OFFICE HAS BEEN INFORMED OF US REPRESENTATION AT JUNE
16 NATIONAL FUNERAL FOR FORMER PRIME MINISTER SATO. ALTHOUGH
SOMEWHAT TROUBLED BY LEAK TO YOMIURI SHIMBUN OF US REPRESENTA-
TION--ARTICLE STATING AMBASSADOR JOHNSON WOULD REPRESENT US
APPEARED IN JUNE 13 MORNING EDITIONS--FOREIGN OFFICE HAS AGREED
TO OBSERVE EMBARGO UNTIL NOON JUNE 13 WASHINGTON TIME.

2. FOREIGN OFFICE HAS PROVIDED US WITH FOLLOWING ROUGH OUTLINE
OF FUNERAL CEREMONY AND RELATED EVENTS TO TAKE PLACE ON JUNE 16:

(A) AT THE MARTIAL ARTS HALL (BUDOKAN) FROM 2:00-3:30 P.M.

-- OPENING ADDRESS

-- REMARKS BY PRIME MINISTER MIKI (FUNERAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN)

-- REMARKS BY PRESIDENTS OF UPPER AND LOWER HOUSES OF DIET

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-- REMARKS BY CHIEF JUSTICE

-- TRIBUTES BY LDP REPRESENTATIVES AND FRIENDS

-- LAYING OF FLOWERS ON ALTAR BY REPRESENTATIVE OF EMPEROR,
PRIME MINISTER, SPECIAL ENVOYS AND DIPLOMATIC CORPS

-- LAYING OF FLOWERS ON ALTAR BY CABINET MEMBERS AND OTHER
PARTICIPANTS

-- CLOSING ADDRESS

ORDER OF EVENTS IS NOT FIXED AS YET. PROGRAM WILL BE DISTRIBUT-
ED TO ENVOYS AS THEY ENTER MARTIAL ARTS HALL JUNE 16.

(B) RECEPTION HOSTED BY PRIME MINISTER AND MRS. MIKI AT THE
PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICIAL RESIDENCE: 6:30-7:30 P.M.

3. WILL PROVIDE FURTHER DETAILS AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.
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